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QUORUM ACTIVITY IS CHURCH NEED TODAY

"There is a direct challenge for leadership in the Church today" said Alma D. Ericksen, speaker at the Stake Priesthood meeting, Saturday evening, Nov. 28. "In every period of our history our leaders have met the issue with honor and integrity. They each have played their parts well."

The Church, with over 150,000 men in the Priesthood, has the greatest training school for leadership in the world, declared the speaker. Although great strides have been made in the auxiliaries, manned by the priesthood, yet there is no quorum consciousness. Ericksen divided the history of the Church into three great epochs. I.—Introductory, or the establishment of a new religion by the Prophet Joseph Smith. II.—Expanding; that period of colonization by sturdy pioneers led by Brigham Young. III.—Social Growth, the period of today.

Five desirable characteristics are necessary to meet this demand for leadership today, he said, and must come through quorum unity and activity.

1—Loyalty to God and His work:
A full acceptance of the beliefs and doctrines of the Church.

2—Loyalty to the Traditions and institutions of the Church:
Upholding our ideals, auxiliaries and re-kindling a new reverence for the fine old LDS home.

3—Loyalty to the High Moral Ideals of the Church:
We must carry forth the banner of personal purity and honorable marriage.

4—Loyalty to Quorum and Group Life:
Church is great because of the many, rather than the few. Quorum unity and fraternal spirit of the group needed.

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COMPLIMENTARY

The following letter from Elder George Albert Smith of the Council of the Twelve, is deeply appreciated:

"Dear President Macdonald:

I am in receipt of the November number of the San Francisco Stake Messenger and I write to compliment you on the fine material it contains.

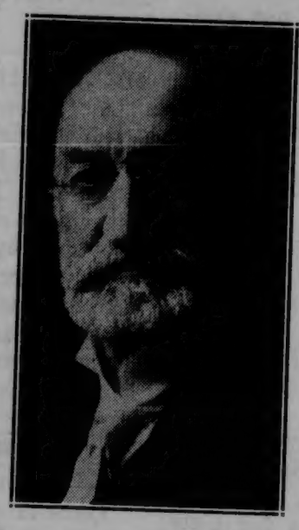
It is interesting to note that you can have as small a magazine in your stake that will bring to all your people the information they very much desire.

I commend you most heartily upon the splendid work that is being done in your stake. Please remember me to your associates and be assured I am always interested in the developement that you are making.

Affectionately your brother,
Geo. Albert Smith"

SAN FRANCISCO ENJOYS PRES. GRANT'S VISIT

For four days, the Stake revelled in a delightful visit of the President of the Church, Heber J. Grant. Arriving Friday, Nov. 6, to be the guest speaker of the famed Commonwealth club of San Francisco, he remained until Monday night.



Leading business and financial men, members of the Commonwealth Club, welcomed President Grant upon his recent visit and voted him one of the most interesting and talented figures ever to appear on their programs, and these have included every national figure who has stopped in the city by the Golden Gate.

President Grant impressed them with his appearance, 75 years of age, straight and strong as a young sapling, a living testimony to the practices of the Latter-Day Saint faith.

President Grant discussed the early history of the church and its leaders, his talk, broadcast over KPO, was a delightful blending of humor, pathos and drama, exactly suitable for the occasion.

Sunday morning, Nov. 8, President Grant visited the San Francisco Ward Sunday School, and was the speaker on the Stake broadcast over KTAB at 1 p. m. He made brief remarks at the union meeting and later counseling the bishoprics of the Stake.

President Grant addressed a combined meeting of all East Bay wards in the evening at the Oakland chapel, which was crowded to capacity. The congregation paid marked attention as the President discoursed for more than an hour. At the conclusion hundreds thronged around the beloved leader to shake his hand.

During his stay he visited with many friends in the Bay district and while playing golf was given a favorable interview by the Oakland Tribune. All the bay newspapers gave him generous notices. As the guest of President Adams of the Western Pacific railroad he attended the ceremonies marking the driving of the golden spike, linking it with the Great Northern.

Honored by his recent visit, San Francisco Stake cordially invites our beloved President to "come again."

SUCCESSFUL PARTIES

A policeman stood in the doorway. Supt. Denzel Allen of the Berkeley Sunday school was surprised, wondered. "Were you at the dance in this hall last Friday night?" queried the officer. "Why, yes," answered the superintendent. "Well, I just wanted to tell you that was the most orderly and best behaved group of young people and the best conducted party I've ever seen in Berkeley" replied the officer, as he strolled out.

The Stake M. I. A. party held in the Berkeley Hall, Nov. 20, was a fine affair, well attended, joyful throughout. Congratulations to Chairman Larry Folsom.

At the conclusion of the Utah-Idaho Ball in the Scottish Rite Hall, in San Francisco, Thanksgiving night, the special police officer detailed there, came up to Chairman Fitzgerald:

"Moi name is Officer Kenealey. This is the foinest party I've seen here in thoity years" he said in a rich Irish brogue, "I didn't know the Mormons were such a foine people. Ye had no need of me here tonight, everything so well behaved. I had to call the patrol wagon eight times at a party here last week. God bless yer, and I wish you luck."

Such is the reputation of our Stake parties. Need more be said? Congratulations, Dr. Fitzgerald!

WARD BULLETINS

Sunset has joined Elmhurst in issuing a monthly ward "Bulletin" carrying announcements and items of interest concerning ward activities. Congratulations.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Annual missionary conference of the San Francisco district will be held in the Sunset ward hall, Sunday, December 13. Pres. Thomas Birch and the missionaries of the district will gather from all parts of northern California. A special missionary priesthood meeting, followed by a banquet will be held Saturday. It is hoped that Mission President Jos. W. McMurrin, will be fully recovered and be in attendance.

JEWISH INTEREST

Golden K. Driggs, Stake Sunday School superintendent, was invited to speak before a prominent Jewish Women's club in San Francisco, Nov. 17. Much interest was manifest in Supt. Driggs' story of "Why Mormonism?", and at the conclusion he was asked many questions by his intelligent audience.

STAKE CONFERENCE

The next Stake Conference, Jan. 23-24 will be a special Priesthood conference. While the topics programed will be of interest especially for the Priesthood, yet the public is invited to all sessions. The Saturday meeting will be especially for the boys and young men.

SERMONS

Copies of Apostle Ballard's sermons at the last Stake Conference may be obtained from Arthur W. Sadler, who took a shorthand report at all sessions. Call Delaware 7056 for a typewritten copy.

HISTORIAN APPEALS FOR FAITH ITEMS

In a Church-wide appeal for a more careful recording of historical and miraculous incidents, Elder Joseph Fielding Smith, Church Historian, in a letter to the Stake Presidency asked for cooperation here. Saints are asked to promptly report, and Bishops and presiding officers are charged with the responsibility of forwarding to the Historian's office, accurate accounts of all events of interest, faith promoting stories and happenings within the San Francisco Stake.

Thus writes Apsotle Smith:

"We would deem it a great favor—it is also a duty—if presiding officers would give a more careful investigation to all historical items recorded on quarterly reports.

"In addition to this, it is also the wish of the First Presidency that special attention be given to all remarkable incidents, especially miraculous events and outstanding faith-promoting matters which occur in the stakes and missions. Such things should be carefully and accurately recorded and sent to the Historian's office with the approval of the presiding officer of the stake or mission. These accounts should be furnished separately from the quarterly historical report, although these reports may contain the same items.

"We have heard recently of a number of wonderful incidents which should be recorded in this manner and furnished us.

"In this day of skepticism, and when doubt is thrown on all things miraculous, such incidents will be of great value to the Church."

RECREATION

December will witness two more parties under the auspices of the Stake M. I. A. The first will be Thursday, Dec. 10th in the famous Sweet's Persian Gardens in Oakland. This ballroom is perhaps the most beautiful in Northern California and will accommodate 1200 couples. It all evidences that clean, wholesome amusement fills a well defined need.

The second party will be held in San Francisco on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st. Decorations and program will be in keeping with the holiday spirit.

PURE RELIGION

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

So wrote James the Apostle of Jesus.

And through the Prophet Joseph Smith, the Lord admonishes His Saints as follows:

"And that thou mayest more fully keep thyself unspotted from the world, thou shalt go to the house of prayer and offer up thy sacraments upon my holy day."—D. & C. 59:9.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1

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CELESTIAL MARRIAGE

One of the most distinguishing and beautiful truths revealed in our generation is marriage for time and eternity.

The possibility of the eternal continuance of the ties of love and devotion which here bind the family unit together should cause all to rejoice. Promises made to those who faithfully enter and continue in these sacred covenants are worthy of a wise and loving Father. The Lord has made plain that only through faithful obedience to this principle can exaltation and eternal increase in the worlds to come be possible.

Whenever the fullness of Truth is in the earth, Lucifer is doubly alert to thwart it if possible. Today he seeks to minimize and destroy the true function of marriage. And, sad to relate, his victims are legion. Many misleading and fallacious doctrines and practices are abroad in the land. In the eyes of many, marriage has lost its sanctity. A century ago the Lord said: "The world is ripening in iniquity." Wholesale destruction of moral standards is sure evidence of this condition.

Mormonism still stands unique in the high standards of morality it proclaims. Adherence to these standards is imperative to Latter-day Saints.

Marriages performed outside of the temples of the Lord are for time only. A marriage solemnized by a Stake President or a Bishop is for time only. Such a marriage, of course, is to be preferred to a churchless civil ceremony only. The Lord has delegated his authority to seal for time and eternity to but one man: the President of his Church.

Be not led into the error, that, if it seems inconvenient to go to the temple, the matter can later be cared for vicariously. The scriptures grant no warrant for such an assumption. The way of safety lies in compliance with the plan outlined by the Lord.

Marriage and the rearing of children is one of the most fundamental doctrines of the church. Pres. Joseph F. Smith, has said: "We hold that no man who is marriagable is fully living his religion who remains unmarried." "The commandment which was given in the beginning to multiply and replenish the earth is still in force upon the Children of men. Possibly no *greater sin could be committed* by the people who have embraced this gospel than to prevent or destroy life in the manner indicated." Gos. Doc. p. 347.

Willing and intelligent obedience to this great principle will bring eternal joy through ages to come. We earnestly urge parents to teach their children; Elders to teach the Saints the true meaning of celestial marriage. Thus may the blessings appertaining thereto flow unabated to the Saints of God in this Stake of Zion.

(*Ward Teacher's Topic for December*)

LEADS CHURCH

San Francisco ward leads the Church in per capita Fast Offerings. With a monthly letter to all ward members, as a gentle reminder, Bishop Nalder has received a generous response from the Saints of his ward. Abstaining from food one Sunday a month, is not only a health habit, but gives spiritual growth, believes this Bishop. Thus are the poor provided for: and bishops receive many calls for aid these days. Remember your fast offerings, next Sunday.

AARONIC OUTLINES

Quorum outlines for the Aaronic Priesthood will be ready for distribution Dec. 15. The Stake Clerk will receive your order. See that every young man of your ward has an outline for the new year. The cost will be ten cents. New roll and record books for each quorum will also be ready at the same time.

WARD TEACHING

Four wards reported 100 percent in ward teaching during October, with the result that San Francisco Stake was in 61st place among the stakes of the Church. Several wards almost failed in this important function. Greater attention is needed to this detail of ward administration. We congratulate those ward teachers who are consistently doing this fine labor. Proper ward teaching is a crying need in the Stake.

Dear Brother Macdonald:

Thank you for the very splendid cooperation that you have given the work of The Improvement Era in your stake. We realize that our success is obtained only through the cooperation of the Priesthood.

Reports pouring in from the various stakes indicate that The Improvement Era is being received this year with greater enthusiasm than ever before.

Sincerely yours,
Melvin J. Ballard

LIKES HIGH COUNCIL

Bishop P. W. Dunyon of Berkeley writes as follows:

"The Bishopric and members of our ward appreciate very much the visits of the members of the Stake High Council who are assigned to our ward. They always give us very valuable spiritual talks, advice and encouragement in the work of the Lord.

"Last night we had an ideal Sacrament meeting. One hundred members were present and High Councilors F. J. Parsons and I. B. Ball gave us splendid talks. The Spirit of the Lord was with us abundantly and everybody was exceptionally interested.

"May our Heavenly Father continue His choicest blessings upon you and the members of the High Council in the glorious work in which you are engaged."

Priesthood Quorums

Stake Priesthood meeting, Saturday evening, Dec. 26, 7:30 p. m. All quorums of Melchizedek and Aaronic priesthood requested to be present, Oakland Chapel.

GENEALOGICAL

Special union meeting, Sunday, 2:30 p. m. Oakland Chapel. All ward committees should have representatives at this departmentalized meeting.

HIGH PRIESTS' SOCIAL

A "get-acquainted" social of the High Priests quorum and their wives will be held in Dimond chapel, Thursday, Dec. 17. At 7:30 sharp, all will sit down to a "basket banquet" provided by the wives, while a special program is being rendered. Games and dancing will follow. It will be a party they will all remember, declare the committee: Paul Dana, Archer Willey and Bishop Jacobs.

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5—A True Missionary Spirit:

Ours is a missionary Church, hence we must be enbued with that true spirit. Teach what is right—then try to persuade men to accept it. "Feed my sheep" was Christ's great and final admonition to Peter.

Following the speaker, the meeting was turned into an open forum, various points of the talk were discussed from the floor. There was a good attendance and the meeting one of the most successful held. Two young men were ordained elders, Ray Shields and Garney V. Johnston of Oakland ward.

PRAYER

The following was given as a "2½ minute talk" in the Oakland Sunday School by Eloise King, age 12:

"Prayer is the purifying of the soul. Its first element is the realization of a close relationship to God. The relation of prayer and temptation is this: both spring from within.

Prof. William James of Harvard says: "The praying man is a normal man in right relationship with his invisible environment. The man who seldom or never prays is abnormal; his energies are inhibited, he is living below the highest range of his possibilities."

There are two kinds of prayer. One, the prayer to be heard of men, such as the Pharisees offered. Another is the prayer of selfishness and revenge. There is also the prayer of power, "The prayer that prevaileth against all temptation," which possesses three fundamental elements. The first is a consciousness of fellowship with One on whom we can rely as an ally in all our struggles. Second, an earnest desire to possess that for which we pray. Third, a willingness to work to achieve the end sought.

These three fundamentals of true prayer the Savior gave, when he said: "after this manner, pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Leave us not in temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever, Amen."

SUNSET

Sunday Evening Programs

Dec. 6: Conjoint M. I. A.
Speaker: Theodore Martin
Dec. 13: Missionary Conference
Dec. 20: Speakers: Golden Driggs and Chas. W. White
Dec. 27: Speakers: Stephen H. Winter, Alma Wotherspoon, Rudolph Sandell

Mary A. Greene was released as 1st Assistant to Supt. Gladys Winter of the Primary and Esther Kjar sustained as 1st Assistant and Mae White as 2nd Assistant.

Clarence Saxton has been released as 2nd Assistant of the Y. M. M. I. A. and sustained as Music Director.

Newcomers in the Ward: Rex E. Birch and family; Milton Martin and family, of Wilson Ward, North Weber Stake; Vera J. Wormell and daughter Estelle, of 6th Ward, Logan, Utah.

Donald J. Shireman and Ellen A. Ekberg were united in marriage, Monday, November 16th by Bishop Carl Kjar.

OAKLAND

Happy days are here again!

At least they will be soon, for on Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, the Oakland ward will hold its annual bazaar and dance, a combination of opportunity and joy.

Outstanding will be delicious dinners both nights at 6:30 by the Relief Society.

More fun than a circus is promised at the booths and the high spot of the affair for youthful Zion will be the dance the last night, starting at 9, to the music of the PERSIAN GARDEN orchestra. Think that one over, you Terpsichoreans.

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AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

RELIEF SOCIETY

Another "Short Story Contest" is announced from the Literary department for the season 1931-1932:

A.— PURPOSE OF CONTEST

1. To foster any talent for story writing that we may posess as well as enlarging our appreciation of the story.

2. Why Write a Story? Read Margaret Ashmun, noted short story authority:

"To attempt to organize a plot cannot prove other than highly illuminating to one who wishes first-hand knowledge of the short-story. The discernment and discrimination that one gains in the process are just compensation for the time and energy expended. It becomes diverting and perhaps confusing but highly *instructive*. An effort to write short stories awakens one, as almost nothing else will, to the dramatic significance of one's environment that would other wise be misunderstood or ignored. It helps to define one's attitude toward life. It helps to reveal one's self as well as being self-educative. The reward is always tangible and satisfying."

3. Story Contests are satisfying, because—

a. Story may soon be in print.
b. New writers discovered.
c. Wealth of *customs, culture,* and *experiences* preserved.

B.—HINTS TO CONTESTANT

1. Stories will be judged on merit according to criteria set up in last year's literary course. (See August, 1930, R. S. Magazine).
2. For further information on same points read "Philosophy of the Short Story," Brander Mathews; "Imaginative Writing," Belderser.
3. Read short stories, good ones, hosts of them, such as "The Great Stone Face," "Where Love is, there God is Also," "Ruth," "Joseph," "The Sculptor's Funeral," Willa Cather (note how one scene tells the story), "Bubbles," Wilbur Daniel Steele (note point of view.)
4. Plan your story.
a. Will it be a character, plot, or atmosphere story?
b. Visualize it by scenes.
c. Who's point of view?
d. Style.
5. Be yourself, express your own ideas in your own way.
6. Plots with fresh viewpoints, original slants, become winners.

C.—Contest Begins NOW! Ends Midnight, April 15, 1932

D.—RULES

1. Stories must contain not less than 1000 words or more than 3000 words.
2. Plot and treatment of same must be **original** with the author.
3. Manuscripts must be submited without name of author, or any other means of identification. Put a card with the name and address of author, also the ward she represents into an evelope; seal it, and attach securely to manuscript. These envelopes will not be opened until after decision of judges.
4. Manuscripts will not be returned unless requested.
5. All R. S. officers and members are eligible providing they have attended at least two of the literary meetings of the current year.
6. All manuscripts must be mailed, not later than midnight of April 15, 1932 to

RUTH S. HILTON
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E.—AWARDS

To First and Scond places, mention of third and fourth places. (The kind of awards will be announced later.)

Let's all get in—who knows what may come of it? Work! and grow at the same time.

F.—CONTESTANT'S TEN COMMANDMENTS:
by C. H. Dennis

1. Follow Rules.
2. Appearance of manuscript counts.
3. Opening paragraph counts.
4. Use quotations correctly.
5. Be Original.
6. Be logical.
7. Be sincere
8. Typewrite if possible.
9. Mail with care.
10. Rejoice with the winner.

PRIMARY

The Primary union meeting for this month will be on the third Saturday, Dec. 19, at 2 p. m. instead of the 4th Sunday. The Stake Board will be hosts at the party which will feature this last union meeting of the year. See that every officer of your ward is present.

The Stake Board welcomes a new member, Miss Elsie Cherrington, our new play leader. She is well qualified for this work; for two years she majored in Physical Education at the B. Y. U.

Lillian W. Rigby, trail builder leader, has been released from the Stake Board on account of home conditions. The Primary Board have appreciated her useful labors.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Miss Lenna Allen of Berkeley, is a new member of the Stake board, in charge of the Kindergarten department. Miss Allen is a returned missionary and ideally equipped to carry on this important work. We welcome her as worker in the stake.

Again the Dimond Sunday School won the banner for the month of November. There will be but one more award, in December, and then the banner will be given permanently to the Sunday School having the best record for the year. It now appears that San Francisco and Dimond are neck and neck in the "Home Stretch" and December's record will determine the permanent winner.

A new superintendent, John Tucker, of the Sunset Ward was introduced at the November Union Meeting. Supt. Tucker succeeds Elgin Clawson who faithfully carried on in this ward.

Subscribe to the "Instructor." Ward workers, remember, a special offer is made by the General Board if you get 75 percent of your officers and teachers to subscribe. Complete instructions in the November "Instructor."

Orders for the lessons for the various classes should be sent immediately to Salt Lake.

M. I. A.

The Stake M. I. A. Recreational Institute, Dec. 6-7.

W. O. Robinson, field secretary of the General Board will visit San Francisco Stake Sunday and Monday, Dec. 6th and 7th. Intensive work in the fields of speech, music, drama and *the dance will be given. The first* meeting will be held Sunday evening in the recreational hall of Oakland chapel. Other sessions will be held Monday afternoon and evening, the times and places to be announced later. The M. I. A. dance, feature of the Green and Gold ball, will be explained and demonstrated.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

MARTINEZ

Bishop John J. Kest and family recently moved into Alhambra valley. A surprise house warming was tendered them Friday evening, Nov. 13. A beautiful table lamp was presented to them by the ward members present.

Miss Grace Easton of Kemmerer, Wyoming, will spend the winter in Martinez with her brother, Andrew Easton, Jr.

Walter Brey, Sunday School Supt. has moved his family from Crockett and will occupy the quarters vacated by Bishop Kest.

Bishop Kest is slowly recovering from a painful injury to his back three weeks ago. He was confined to his bed for a week.

Mrs. Cella F. McCarthy of Camargo, Oklahoma, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Bunce of Walnut Creek.

The football Champions of Contra Costa County is coached by Willard ("Butch") Knowles, former Superintendent of Martinez Sunday School.

Cottage meetings are held every Thursday evening in Crockett, to which members of all other Wards are cordially invited to attend.

RICHMOND

W. E. Zuppann, advertising manager of the Ogden "Standard," spent Thanksgiving in Richmond with Mrs. Zuppann, who has been visiting for the past six weeks with Mr. and Mrs. A. Dietliker and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bradeson. They returned to Ogden, November 29.

BIRTHS—A girl to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hopkins, November 18. A boy to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gengler, November 20.

Clyde and Gladys Aikens of Ogden are visiting with their brother, Leonard Aikens and family.

An interesting cottage meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dietliker, November 23.

Changes made recently in ward organizations:

Rulon L. Burr sustained as second assistant in Y. M. M. I. A., J. W. Phelps released.

Jessie B. Pearson named Relief Society secretary, vice Maurine Brocklebank resigned.

Alice Bingham sustained as second assistant in Primary.

BALBOA

Bishop R. V. Pearson has returned from a visit to Utah.

The M Men have organized a basketball team to compete in the Stake tournament. Coach E. L. Williams promises a team that will have power and speed.

A farewell party was tendered Elder Jay Raine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pietsche, prior to his departure for the Society Islands mission.

Over fifty people attended the first "get-together" Mutual party, Nov. 18. Games, dancing, a fine program and refreshments made a most enjoyable evening.

Clyde Pearson was elected "M Men" president of the Stake, Nov. 15.

For the past three months, Balboa ward has had 100 percent ward teaching, thanks to Elmer Hinkson and assistants.

Jos. J. Lehner, ward teacher, was run down by an auto recently and seriously injured, while standing in a safety zone. At the hospital, Lehner was found to have suffered a broken leg, cuts, bruises and internal injuries. The driver of the auto, witness stated, was intoxicated.

ELMHURST

Jos. Arrowsmith of Ogden is visiting with his sister, Mrs. D. F. Wright. He is superintendent of the First Ward Sunday School, Weber Stake.

Mrs. Rena Schipper has been chosen 2nd counselor of the Relief Society presidency, and Lawrence N. Bates as second assistant in the Y. M. M. I. A. superintendency .

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Staley are visiting in Idaho. Mrs. Robert C. Stoker is with friends in Los Angeles.

Mrs. H. Kammeyer is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Adrian Schipper.

The Sunday School superintendency has been reorganized with the following new officers: R. T. Cox, supt.; L. M. Day, 1st Ass't; H. J. McFarlane, 2nd. Ass't.

A ward carnival was held in the Recreation hall, Friday, Nov. 13.

The choir members have been set apart and presented with engraved membership certificates.

BERKELEY

Berkeley has organized a choir. The director, J. Kaye Booth is an experienced leader and teacher of vocal music. The new organization is working hard, and promise some fine music soon.

Miss Elsie Johnson, sister of Pres. J. Edward Johnson has come to reside in Berkeley. Miss Johnson is taking advanced work in the University. She is teacher of the Gleaner Girls in Mutual.

George E. Southgate and family are new arrivals in Berkeley. Elder Southgate has been appointed chairman of the Genealogical Committee.

Berkeley Ward is growing. Two hundred and sixty-six were in attendance at Sunday School, November 8, the largest on record.

DIMOND

Mayor Jesse N. Ellertson of Provo, Utah, and wife were recent visitors, renewing old acquaintances of the B. Y. U. He is a cousin of Bishop Robinson.

Chorister Ben Summerhays is home again. To start the season he tendered a banquet to the Choir at the Hotel Oakland. Archer Willey, of the Stake Music Committee, was the guest speaker.

Mrs. M. Lau of Idaho is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Rue O. Phelps.

The M. Men and Gleaner Girls will be guests of Gordon Wilkins, Tuesday evening, December 1.

Mrs. Carmen Douglas of Ogden, was guest soloist at Sacrament services, November 22. She was here as winner of the Atwater Kent audition of the ten inter-mountain states.

Prof. DeJong, dean of Arts and Sciences, B. Y. U. was a recent speaker at Sacrament meeting. He is attending Stanford this winter.

SAN FRANCISCO

W. Dewey Oswald, ward clerk of 33rd ward, Salt Lake, died in a San Francisco hospital, November 6. He is survived by his wife, Kenna Cragen Oswald and three daughters. He was a relative of Mrs. Robt. L. Sweeten and Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Coltrin of Sunset.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Eversole are rejoicing over the birth of a son, November 6. The mother was formerly Miss Doris Hoare of Liverpool, England.

John Y. Smith has gone to Montana to visit his son who is engaged in mining projects there.

Mrs. Oleine Eskelsen is on the road to recovery after a major operation in a local hospital.

MISSION

A fine Hallowe'en party at the home of Pres. Marguerite Kenison, was given by the ward Primary to 40 children, Saturday, October 31.

Mrs. Leila Edgar has returned home from Salt Lake where she went several weeks ago to the bedside of her mother, seriously ill.

Mission Sunday School is in third place for the Stake efficiency banner. Supt. Morgenegg has his eye on first position.

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